Opportunities for DREAM Application

<u>University of Missouri-Kansas City, Midwest Center</u> <u>for Nonprofit Leadership</u>

Establishing A Nonprofit Organization

Many people express an interest in establishing a nonprofit to address a specific need in this community. However, the process of starting a nonprofit can present intimidating challenges. This workshop will address the primary issues and challenges faced in establishing a nonprofit.

Workshop Content

- * Overview of the unique nature and structure of nonprofit organizations, as well as comparable differences between nonprofits and for-profits.
- * Determining whether there is sufficient need to establish a new organization and understanding the alternatives to incorporation.
- * Overview of the legal issues and processes involved in establishing a nonprofit.
- * Examination of the initial governance and management challenges to successful operation.

This half-day workshop is offered quarterly:

□ December 6, 2006 (4:30 pm - 8:30 pm)
□ March 21, 2007 (8:30 am - 12:30 pm)
□ June 6, 2007 (4:30 pm - 8:30 pm)
□ September 26, 2007 (8:30 am - 12:30 pm)
□ December 5, 2007 (4:30 pm - 8:30 pm)

Location: 4747 Troost Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri (Conference Room 210)

Fee: Free for the first two (2) registrations for each identified DREAM applicant community. For any additional community members, the fee will be \$40 per person.

To register contact:

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David Stallings, CPA, MPA is a Senior Fellow with the Midwest Center for Nonprofit Leadership at the University of Missouri - Kansas City. In this capacity, he provides consulting and research services to nonprofit organizations in the six state area. His consulting services include fiscal reviews of nonprofit boards and organizations, board education and training in board governance, organizational development, strategic planning and fund development.

From 1975 to 1999, David was a practicing Certified Public Accountant, retiring as Managing Shareholder of Marks, Stallings and Campbell, CPAs, one of the largest locally owned CPA firms in the Kansas City area. His professional focus was on litigation services, fraud and embezzlement investigations, business valuations along with the other traditional accounting, tax and auditing services.

Concurrent with his professional career, David was and remains actively involved with a wide variety of nonprofit organizations including Hope House, Safehome, ReStart Homeless Shelter, The Domestic Violence Coalition, Wayside Waifs Animal Shelter, and many others. He is a graduate of Leadership Overland Park, and Leadership Kansas. David has been an active member, since 1983, of the Overland Park Rotary Club, serving as club treasurer, co-founder of the Youth Leadership Institute, president of The Overland Park Rotary Club Foundation Board of Trustees and many other avenues of "service above self."

David has a Bachelor of Science in Finance from the University of Missouri - Columbia, a Bachelor of Science in Accounting from Southeast Missouri State University and a Master in Public Administration in Nonprofit Leadership from the University of Missouri - Kansas City.

Judith Sharp, JD, LLM, staff director of UMKC's Entrepreneurial Legal Services Clinic, earned her Juris Doctor from UMKC, where she placed as alternate in the Moot Court competition and served as Cases and Statutes Editor for the Urban Lawyer. She worked for two years as a staff attorney in the Municipal Court Unit of Legal Aid of Western Missouri before establishing and maintaining a partnership with Maureen Scully. They closed that practice when they began working for the UAW Legal Services Plan, a prepaid legal services plan provided by the "big three" U.S. auto makers to their hourly workers. After serving as Supervising Attorney for several years, she resigned to pursue an LL.M. in Taxation at UMKC, which she completed in May, 2000.

Judy has over 24 years experience practicing law, mostly as a litigator. Her experience includes several jury trials and numerous bench-trials in the areas of domestic, criminal defense, consumer, and debtor defense. She also has a Masters of Arts in American Studies from the Bowling Green State University in Ohio